STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS23485

The purpose of this legislation is to offer one solution to help solve the significant mental health care shortage in Idaho. This legislation would allow those psychologists who obtain a doctorate degree in psychology, a master's degree in psychopharmacology, clinical experience and pass a nationally recognized exam, to have prescriptive authority in their field. This legislation mandates that a prescribing psychologist collaborate with the patient's primary care provider. This legislation also grants power to the Idaho Board of Psychologist Examiners to establish an advisory panel which will make recommendations to the Idaho Board of Psychologist Examiners.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no impact to general funds



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